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Filing Date	September 12, 2001
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Group Art Unit	2879
Examiner Name	Sikha ROY
Attorney Docket Number	SATO=22

## This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ already paid for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) extension of time on \_\_\_\_\_)
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## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, AGENT REQUIRED

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